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Attorney General John Ashcroft
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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

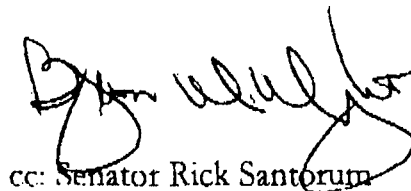
Since the Courts reached a settlement on the Microsoft antitrust case in November, I was hopeful we could move forward. Now with the additional states and competitors coming forward to pursue further litigation, I am starting to wonder if this benefits the consumer at all or just the business of the competitor's.

Microsoft has been more than cooperative. They agreed to license their Windows operating system products to the 20 largest computer makers on identical terms and conditions, including price. They also agreed to grant computer makers broad new rights to configure Windows, in order to promote non- Microsoft software programs that compete with programs included within Windows.

I urge you to put an end of this litigation fiasco. There are more pressing issues upon which the government should be focused.

Sincerely,

Byron Wright



cc: Senator Rick Santorum